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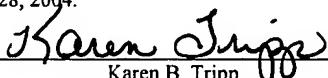
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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed September 28, 2004. The Notice advises that the preliminary amendment filed with the patent application on September 25, 2003 was non-compliant because a complete listing of all of the claims was not present and each claim was not provided with the proper status identifier so that the individual status of each claim could be identified. That is, the deleted claims from the parent application were not shown in the list of claims as canceled. These claims have now each been inserted with the claim number and the notation that the claim has been "canceled" and thus the claims are now believed to be a complete listing with reflection of the proper status identifier for each. In the event that the amendment is still viewed as non-compliant, the Examiner is earnestly requested to call the undersigned regarding same.

Please enter this attached revised amendment to the "Amendments to the claims" section of Applicant's preliminary amendment, as fully responsive to the Notice of Non Compliant Amendment.

This response is submitted within the one month period for response provided and no extension or fee is believed due. However, in the event that a fee is due for any reason, the Commissioner is authorized to charge same to undersigned's Deposit Account No. 50-0807.

In the previously submitted amendment, please correct the Amendment to the Claims section to read as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please cancel claims 1, 6-11,15, 19, 23, 27, 31, and 33, considered in the parent application, which was the subject of a restriction requirement. Please amend the remaining claims to read as follows:



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